# ARKANSAS WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



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#### REPORTING FOR WEEK ENDING June 5, 2005 CROP YEAR

**RELEASED:** June 6, 3PM - There were 6 days suitable for field work. Soil moisture supplies were 24% very short, 40% short, 36% adequate, and 0% surplus.

**CROPS:** Much of Arkansas is still in serious need of rain. Rain that has fallen has been spotty, with parts of the same county getting from "barely enough to settle the dust" to five inches. The rains missed a large part of the river valley row crop areas. In the northeast, some rice producers are flooding fields. Producers are having to irrigate their crops where possible. In the central counties, soybean producers are still holding off planting, waiting for rain. Producers are continuing to fertilize corn, rice and pastures. Previous applications have been less productive than usual due to lack of moisture. Some central counties are reporting thrips attacking cotton. Low rainfall has not activated seed treated with insecticides. In the southwest, what rain that has fallen has delayed wheat harvest. Hay yields for first cutting are below normal.

**LIVESTOCK:** Livestock are reported to be in good condition. The lack of moisture in central, western, and southwestern counties are causing cattle producers to feed hay, or turn their cattle onto their hay fields. Some producers are fertilizing pastures and spraying to control weeds in their pastures and hay fields. Rains have helped pasture conditions, but more is needed to help over-grazed areas to recover.

Progress %					Condition %					
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
CORN		_			1	3	45	40	11	
Silked <sup>1</sup>	2	0	0	0						
SOYBEANS					3	13	39	39	6	
Planted	86	84	76	66						
Emerged	75	68	64	54						
SORGHUM					1	10	46	34	9	
Planted	100	99	95	97						
Emerged	99	92	89	93						
COTTON		_			1	2	21	60	16	
Planted	100	99	100	98						
Emerged	99	95	95	91						
Squaring	13	3	9	9						
RICE					1	5	32	44	18	
Planted	100	99	100	100						
Emerged	99	94	94	97						
WHEAT					1	8	54	32	5	
Harvested	4	3	12	15						
HAY - OTHER					2	12	48	36	2	
HAY - ALFALFA			_		1	8	60	31	0	
PASTURE & RANGE					4	17	45	30	4	

1 Not asked previous week, or that week in previous years.

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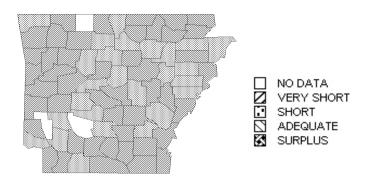
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## SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

### WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

June 5, 2005. Temperatures were near normal. Precipitation in most areas of the state. Jonesboro, Keiser and Newport recorded the high temperature of 97° and Batesville recorded the low temperature of 53°. Precipitation ranged from a high of 1.62 inches at Hot Springs to 0.00 inches at several reporting stations.



## **TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING: June 5, 2005**

DISTRICT		MPERATUR		RAINFALL						
AND		_	DEP	WEEK	CURR		JAN-MAY			
STATION	HIGH	LOW	FROM	ENDING	JUNE	JUNE				
			NORM	JUNE 5	ACCUM.	NORMAL	2005	NORMAL		
1 Fayetteville	85	54	-1	1.10	1.10	5.26	15.65	18.11		
Harrison	88	55	1	0.13	0.13	4.34	13.43	18.61		
2 Calico Rock	93	54	1	0.22	0.22	3.75	16.79	19.62		
Gilbert	91	57	0	0.15	0.15	4.16	16.85	19.01		
Greers Ferry	91	59	2	0.00	0.00	3.87	15.93	21.96		
Mountain Home	90	57	2	0.02	0.02	3.99	20.95	19.20		
3 Batesville	94	53	1	0.00	0.00	3.50	17.42	20.74		
Jonesboro	97	57	2	0.00	0.00	3.29	17.22	21.21		
Keiser	97	59	1	0.33	0.33	4.06	18.96	22.81		
Newport	97	63	3	0.00	0.00	3.78	16.60	21.38		
4 Booneville	88	56	-2	1.55	1.55	4.22	13.58	20.43		
Clarksville	90	61	1	0.36	0.36	4.16	17.89	19.89		
Dardanelle	91	60	1	0.00	0.00	4.26	15.97	20.85		
Ft. Smith	90	61	-1	1.02	1.02	4.28	13.70	18.10		
Mena	84	56	-1	0.57	0.57	5.17	17.97	23.98		
Ozark	87	59	-1	0.94	0.94	3.84	20.79	18.79		
5 Conway	92	60	-1	0.20	0.20	4.48	16.19	20.82		
Hot Springs	90	57	-3	1.62	1.62	5.02	17.07	24.66		
Little Rock	95	63	1	0.00	0.00	3.95	15.86	22.34		
N Little Rock	93	63	-1	0.00	0.00	3.51	15.45	21.95		
6 Brinkley	93	60	1	0.00	0.00	4.07	18.07	23.34		
Marianna	91	61	-1	0.09	0.09	4.39	17.90	24.26		
Stuttgart	94	64	0	0.00	0.00	3.99	18.24	18.24		
7 Hope	90	60	1	0.04	0.04	4.74	14.23	22.91		
Texarkana	92	62	0	0.01	0.01	4.60	11.61	19.21		
8 Camden	94	62	0	0.06	0.06	4.74	17.19	23.16		
El Dorado	92	63	0	0.23	0.23	5.18	16.16	24.36		
Warren	92	63	1	0.04	0.04	4.31	21.07	25.28		
9 Eudora	94	64	0	0.11	0.11	4.10	17.95	28.30		
Pine Bluff	91	64	0	0.66	0.66	3.78	18.79	23.39		
Rohwer	91	64	-1	0.07	0.07	3.91	22.77	24.46		